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Filed: December 19, 2001)
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For: METHOD FOR ISOLATING AND PURIFYING NUCLEIC ACIDS)

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LETTER

Sir:

The below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

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(X)	Response to Missing Parts w/ signed Declaration	() Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a)
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☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication, including fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17 or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account Number 08-1480**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Missing Parts dated March 20, 2002, of the Initial Patent Examination Division of the Patent and Trademark Office, the period for response to which is set to expire on May 20, 2002. Submitted herewith is an executed declaration for the above-captioned application.

The fee of $130.00 is enclosed. Please direct any inquiries in connection with this application to the undersigned.

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